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Amendments to the Claims:

1. through 9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A method for obtaining information on a route, comprising the steps of:

selecting a starting location;

selecting a destination location; and

defining a route-identifier, wherein the route-identifier identifies a relationship between the starting location and the destination location;

selecting at least one intermediate location associated with the relationship between the starting location and the destination location.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10 wherein the relationship ~~between the~~ is a route, the method further comprising:

retrieving the route-identifier to identify the route; and

receiving information on the route identified by the route-identifier.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 10 further comprising:

~~selecting at least one intermediate location; and~~

identifying the intermediate location with an intermediate-identifier.

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13. (Original) The method of claim 12 further comprising:
- retrieving the route-identifier to identify the route;
 - providing the intermediate-identifier; and
 - requesting information on the route based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the route-identifier.
14. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein the information is selected from the group consisting of:
- traffic information, weather information, travel information and information about other objects.
15. (Original) The method of claim 12 further comprising:
- retrieving the route-identifier to identify the route;
 - providing the intermediate-identifier; and
 - requesting information on the intermediate location based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the route-identifier.
16. (Original) The method of claim 15 wherein the information is selected from the group consisting of:
- traffic information, weather information, travel information and information about other objects.

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17. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium storing a program for identifying a route, comprising:

computer readable program code that identifies a first location;
computer readable program code that identifies a second location;
computer readable program code that defines a route-identifier, wherein the route-identifier identifies a relationship between the first location and the second location;
computer readable program code that stores the route-identifier; and
computer readable program code that stores the relationship; and
computer readable program code that identifies an intermediate location associated with the relationship between the first location and the second location.

18. (Original) The program of claim 17, further comprising:

computer readable program code that retrieves the route-identifier.

19. (Original) The program of claim 17, further comprising:

computer readable program code that retrieves information based on the route-identifier.

20. (Currently Amended) The program of claim 17, further comprising:

computer readable program code that identifies ~~an~~ the intermediate location with an intermediate-identifier.

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21. (Original) The program of claim 20, further comprising:
- computer readable program code that retrieves the route-identifier to identify the route;
 - computer readable program code that retrieves the intermediate-identifier to identify the intermediate location; and
 - computer readable program code that provides information on the route based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the route-identifier.
22. (Original) The program of claim 20, further comprising:
- computer readable program code that retrieves the route-identifier to identify the route;
 - computer readable program code that retrieves the intermediate-identifier to identify the intermediate location; and
 - computer readable program code that provides information on the intermediate location based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the route-identifier.

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23. (Currently Amended) A method of identifying a route at a communication node, comprising the steps of:
- receiving at the communication node a starting-identifier, wherein the starting-identifier identifies a starting location;
 - receiving at the communication node a destination-identifier, wherein the destination-identifier identifies a destination location;
 - defining a route-identifier, wherein the route-identifier comprises the starting-identifier and the destination-identifier; and
 - storing the route-identifier at the communication node for later retrieval; and
 - receiving at the communication node at least one intermediate-identifier, wherein the intermediate-identifier defines an intermediate location associated with the starting location and the destination location.
24. (Original) The method of claim 23 further comprising:
- retrieving the route-identifier at a browser to identify the route.
25. (Original) The method of claim 23 further comprising:
- requesting information about the route wherein the information requested includes the route-identifier.
26. (Original) The method of claim 23 further comprising:
- transmitting information about the route from the communication node based on the route-identifier.

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27. (Original) The method of claim 23 wherein the route-identifier comprises a relationship between the starting-identifier and the destination-identifier.

28. (Original) The method of claim 27 wherein the relationship between the starting-identifier and the destination-identifier is a route between the starting location and the destination location, further comprising:

retrieving the route-identifier from the communication node to identify the route; and
transmitting information about the route from the communication node based on the route-identifier.

29. (Canceled)

30. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23 ~~29~~ further comprising:
retrieving the route-identifier from the communication node to identify the route; and
transmitting information on the route based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the route-identifier.

31. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23 ~~29~~ further comprising:
retrieving the route-identifier from the communication node to identify the route; and
transmitting information on the route based on the relationship of the intermediate identifier to the destination-identifier.